

TESTIMONIALS

OF

WILLIAM FRANK-SMITH,

M.B., LONDON, F.C.S.;

PHYSICIAN TO THE SHEFFIELD PUBLIC HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY;

LECTURER ON MEDICINE;

LATE HONORARY SECRETARY AND MEMBER

OF THE

COUNCIL OF THE SHEFFIELD SCHOOL OF MEDICINE.

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Guy's Hospital, August 7th, 1868.

I have great pleasure in bearing testimony to the eminent professional and scientific qualifications of Dr. William Frank-Smith.

After passing through an extended course of study at this Medical School and filling several important posts in the Hospital with great credit, Dr. Frank-Smith spent a considerable time in the further study of the profession at the University of Edinboro'; and, there also, distinguished himself by powers of observation and research.

After taking a degree, which is in itself an ample testimony to his attainments, Dr. Smith enlarged his scientific experience by study in Paris under Professor Wartz.

Since his settlement at Sheffield he has published valuable observations in Medicine, and has undertaken important scientific researches. Of his skill in Hospital practice, his unvarying kindness and conscientious care of patients, I can speak from personal knowledge; but in these particulars, I am aware that the experience of the Authorities of the Institution with which Dr. Smith has been connected, renders any further commendation superfluous.

I will only add, that the scrupulous sense of professional honour Dr. Frank-Smith has uniformly shown, renders him a very desirable colleague. With extended fields of observation, I have no doubt that he will make valuable contributions to the Science of Medicine, and help in maintaining the high character of the Sheffield Infirmary.

P. H. PYE-SMITH, B.A., M.D.,
Lecturer at Guy's Hospital, Assistant Physician to the
Metropolitan Free Hospital.

22, *Wimpole street, Cavendish square, W.*

I have great pleasure in bearing my testimony to the talents and high professional attainments of Dr. Frank-Smith.

For several years he has studied the scientific as well as the practical parts of his profession; and he has been able to test the observations of others by his own experience.

I believe that Dr. Frank-Smith is an accomplished Physician, and that he would be a valuable addition to the Medical Staff of any Public Institution. I can, with great confidence, recommend him to the Governors of the Sheffield Infirmary.

S. O. HABERSHON, M.D., Lond., F.R.C.P.,
Senior Assistant Physician to and Lecturer on Materia Medica
at Guy's Hospital.

Dr. Frank-Smith.

I entertain the highest opinion of Dr. W. F. Smith's ability as a sound practical Physician.

He is already well known to, and respected by his professional brethren, and would be a most useful and valuable member of any Hospital Staff.

C. F. MAUNDER, F.R.C.S.,

Surgeon to the London Hospital.

29, *New Broad street, London,*

August 7th, 1868.

70, *Wimpole street, Cavendish square, W.*

I had the pleasure to make Dr. William Frank-Smith's acquaintance some years ago, when he was acting under Professor Hughes Bennett, as Clinical Clerk in the Wards of the Royal Infirmary, to which I was attached as resident physician.

I had, therefore, the best opportunities of observing the character of his work, and can testify with confidence to his acuteness and ability in the investigation of disease.

I moreover had the privilege to know him in private life, and learned to estimate his many and distinguished qualities.

Since that period I have frequently heard of him as pursuing a successful career at Sheffield, and employing his energies in the Medical School of that town.

From every point of view, whether as a highly educated and cultivated gentleman, or as a pains-taking and accomplished Physician, for which his literary talents and charming personal qualities, as well as the degree he took in the University of London most abundantly testify, I consider that he has the highest possible claims for the office he now solicits. I can wish no better fortune to the Sheffield Infirmary than to secure the services of Dr. Frank-Smith for one of its Physicians.

DYCE DUCKWORTH, M.D.,

Medical Tutor, St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

London, Aug. 7th, 1868.

*St. John's Villas, Overton road,
Angell Park, S.W., Aug. 8, 1868.*

MY DEAR DR. FRANK-SMITH,

It is with very great pleasure that I learn that you are a candidate for the Sheffield Infirmary, a post for which you are eminently well qualified. Your very great abilities, your zeal in the pursuit of your profession, your extensive scientific attainments, and your knowledge of the literature of the profession, must give you an immense advantage over most of your opponents in your candidature. I heartily wish you the success you so richly deserve. If you be chosen, the electors will, I am sure, have to congratulate themselves in the future on their choice.

Believe me,

Dear Dr. Frank-Smith,

THOMAS STEVENSON,

M.D., London ; M.R.C.P., &c. ; Lecturer on Experimental Philosophy, and Demonstrator of Practical Chemistry, and Toxicology to Guy's Hospital ; Examiner in Forensic Medicine in the University of London.

Dr. W. Frank-Smith, Sheffield.

80, *Brook street, Grosvenor square, W.*, 25th Feb., 1865.

I have very great pleasure in expressing my esteem and regard for Dr. Frank-Smith, and in stating that I believe him to be in every respect unusually well qualified to fulfil most efficiently the duties of the appointment for which he is at present a candidate. Should he be elected, I am sure he will do so in a manner that will redound, no less to the advantage of the Institution, than to his own high honour.

Throughout the whole of his prolonged studentship at Guy's, Dr. Frank-Smith was constantly under my observation, and I can say no more than that his conduct in every respect—his industry, attention, and the great ability he displayed, were uniformly such that he secured the lasting esteem and friendship of his teachers. For myself, I would add that had circumstances been favourable I should have given him a most cordial welcome as a colleague at Guy's, as I always shall give him a most cordial welcome at my house.

ARTHUR E. DURHAM, F.R.C.S., &c., &c.,
Assistant Surgeon to, and Lecturer on Anatomy, at Guy's
Hospital.

From WILLIAM WITHEY GULL, Esq., M.D., Fellow of the University of London, F.R.C.P., Physician to Guy's Hospital, Lecturer on Medicine at Guy's Hospital, Senator of the University of London, &c., &c.

Dr. Frank-Smith informs me that he is a candidate for the office of Physician to the Sheffield Public Hospital and Dispensary. I have very great satisfaction in bearing my testimony to Dr. Frank-Smith's fitness for so important a post.

Dr. Frank-Smith is very highly distinguished by his general and professional attainments. Whilst pursuing his studies at Guy's, I had the advantage of his services in the clinical department under my care. In this, and in other hospital work, he evinced an intellect of a high order, and personal qualities which obtained for him general regard and respect.

From G. OWEN REES, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.P., F.R.S., Physician and Lecturer on Medicine at Guy's Hospital.

Dr. Frank-Smith is well known to us at Guy's Hospital as a gentleman who distinguished himself during his pupilage.

His varied accomplishments, and excellent knowledge of his profession, will render him a valuable acquisition to any public institution with which he may become connected.

Albemarle street, Feb. 20th, 1865.

I am quite unable to express, in a few set phrases in which a testimonial must of necessity be couched, the very high opinion I entertain of the qualifications of Dr. Frank-Smith. I have known him for many years, and only to respect him more and more.

I strongly recommend him for the appointment he now solicits.

J. COOPER FORSTER, F.R.C.S.,

One of the Assistant Surgeons and Lecturers on Anatomy
at Guy's Hospital, Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary for
Children, &c.

From SAMUEL WILKS, Esquire, M.D., F.R.C.P., *Professor of Morbid Anatomy, and Assistant Physician to Guy's Hospital.*

Having been informed that Dr. Frank-Smith is a candidate for the office of Physician to the Sheffield Public Hospital and Dispensary, I have great pleasure in recommending him for the appointment, as being in every way qualified to fulfil well the duties of the same. I have known Dr. Frank-Smith for many years, both whilst he was a student of Guy's Hospital, and subsequently, when he was fitting himself for the more practical duties of his profession.

Whilst at Guy's he highly distinguished himself, and gained considerable honours in competition with others at the University of London. Since that time he has spent some time on the Continent, and thus must have added very considerably to his previous knowledge.

Knowing the opportunities which Dr. Smith had at Guy's, the advantage which he took of them in gaining a practical knowledge of medicine, and considering the time which he has subsequently spent in endeavouring to perfect his acquaintance with disease and its treatment, I am sure that no one could be found more fitted to hold the appointment which he is desirous of obtaining.

I trust he may succeed.

Guy's Hospital, Feb. 20, 1865.

From DANIEL HOOPER, Esquire, M.A., M.B., Lond., M.R.C.P.,
Physician to the Carey street Dispensary, the Surrey Dis-
pensary, and the Western Dispensary.

It gives me much pleasure to have the opportunity of attempting to express, in writing, the very high opinion which I entertain of Dr. W. Frank-Smith. I have frequently met him, both in private society and in my practice at the Carey street Dispensary; his talents are of a very high order, and his literary and scientific attainments are varied and extensive; in feeling and manner he is a perfect gentleman. Of his more strictly *professional* merits, a first-class London University degree in medicine is the best possible proof; and of his knowledge and skill as a practical physican, I can speak most highly from personal observation at the Carey street Dispensary. I can conscientiously say that I do not know any man who better deserves a public medical appointment, or who would more faithfully and efficiently discharge its duties. In every respect—as a gentleman, as a scholar, and as an accomplished and practical physician—I cannot possibly overstate Dr. W. Frank-Smith's claims; nor can I conceive that any competitor would have the slightest chance against such a candidate.

*From WILLIAM ODLING, Esquire, M.B., F.R.S., F.C.S., &c.,
&c., Professor of Chemistry at St. Bartholomew's Hospital.*

I have known Dr. Frank-Smith for some years past as a gentleman of great ability and high scientific attainments.

He pursued a more than ordinarily extended course of medical study with more than ordinary success.

In my own department of chemistry more particularly he attained a special degree of proficiency. I know that he has held with great credit many very responsible Hospital appointments, and has acquired, I believe, a thorough familiarity with the practice of his profession.

From J. BRAXTON HICKS, Esquire, M.D., F.R.S., Lecturer on Obstetrics, and Assistant Physician Accoucheur at Guy's Hospital, Physician to the Royal Maternity Charity and the Royal Infirmary for Women and Children.

I have very much pleasure in recommending Dr. Frank-Smith to the Governors of the Sheffield Public Hospital and Dispensary, as one of the Physicians to that Institution.

He is a gentleman of very excellent attainments and talents, and one who would do honour to the post. The zeal with which he conducted his studies whilst at Guy's Hospital, combined with the large field for observation, has given him an advanced insight into the knowledge of disease; and I am sure he will distinguish himself in his future career.

St. Thomas' street, S.E., Feb. 20, 1865.

From WALTER MOXON, Esquire, M.D., Lond., *Lecturer on Comparative Anatomy and Senior Demonstrator of Anatomy at Guy's Hospital.*

I have known Dr. Frank-Smith for many years, and have great pleasure in speaking of him as a highly educated Physician and an accomplished gentleman. Dr. Frank-Smith was always a leader amongst the ablest, most painstaking, and most successful students of Guy's Hospital; and whilst holding the highest honorary offices there, he showed in his responsible charge of the sick a thorough knowledge of his profession and a skill in its exercise which, with his care and kindliness, gained respect and esteem that will not soon be forgotten.

I recommend him most warmly, and with perfect confidence, as in every way qualified to fill a public medical appointment.

6, Finsbury Circus, Feb. 21, 1865.

The Lying-in-Hospital, Dublin, April 29, 1863.

I beg to state that Dr. Frank-Smith has been an interne pupil for some time in this Hospital, during which he has seen a great deal of Midwifery practice, and has personally attended upwards of twenty cases.

JOHN DENHAM, M.D., Master.

Having known Dr. Frank-Smith during part of the period of his studies at Guy's Hospital, I have great pleasure in testifying to the great diligence and success with which those studies were pursued. His character, both intellectual and moral, gained him universal esteem, and would render him invaluable as the Medical Officer of any Institution.

JAMES HINTON,

Aural Surgeon to Guy's Hospital.

5, *George street, Hanover square*, 20th Feb., 1865.

From CHARLES HILTON FAGGE, Esquire, M.D., *Physician to the Royal Infirmary for Diseases of Children, Lecturer on Natural Philosophy and Demonstrator of Anatomy at Guy's.*

I have much pleasure in expressing the high opinion which I entertain of Dr. Frank-Smith's ability and skill. It is now some years since I first became acquainted with him, and during that time he has given abundant evidence of his powers, not only as a Physician, but also as a man of scientific and intellectual cultivation. There can be no question that his services will be most valuable to any Hospital or Public Institution which may be fortunate enough to secure them.

43, *Trinity square, S.E., Feb. 20th.*

From JAMES STOCKER, Esquire, *Resident Medical Officer,*
Registrar and Comptroller of Guy's Hospital.

I have great pleasure in stating that Dr. William Frank-Smith's attainments in Medicine and its allied sciences are of a very high order ; and I thoroughly believe that he will confer credit on any Institution to which he may have the honour to be appointed.

Medical Office, Guy's Hospital, Feb. 20, 1865.

Faculté de Médecine de Paris.

CHER MONSIEUR,

Je reviens aujourd'hui même de la campagne et ayant trouvé votre lettre, je m'empresse de vous envoyer le certificat que vous me demandez. J'espère qu'il vous sera encore utile, et je suis charmé de cette occasion d'avoir pu vous être agreable.

Votre bien dévoué,

AD. WURTZ.

6 *Novemb.*, 1863.

Veillez saluer Odling de ma part.

Faculté de Médecine de Paris.

Le Soussigné se fait un plaisir de certifier que Monsieur Frank-Smith, a travaillé pendant plusieurs mois au laboratoire de la Faculté, dans le cours de l'été de 1863. Il s'est occupé avec le plus grand zèle et le plus grand succès de travaux de Chimie Analytique.

AD. WURTZ.

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